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SUBJECT: AMERICAN SPEAKERS ADDRESSING NZ ENERGY
CONFERENCE

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1. O'LEARY CONCERN WELL FOUNDED SINCE ALL THREE
INDIVIDUALS CITED HAVE RECORD OF CONSISTENT ANTI-NUCLEAR
POSTURE.

2. KENDALL IS ASSOCIATED WITH NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE
COUNCIL (NRDC) IS DRIVING FORCE IN UNION OF CONCERNED
SCIENTISTS AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN ACRS (ADVISORY
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COMMITTEE TO AEC ON REACTOR SAFEGUARDS) HEARINGS.

3. CLARK IS RESPECTED SCIENTIST IN OWN FIELD AND ACTIVE IN INDIAN POINT INTERVENERS ACTION AS WELL AS ASSOCIATED CONSERVATION FOUNDATION.

4. HABICHT APPARENTLY HAS LEGAL ORIENTATION AND IS EFFECTIVE IN ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND (EDF) ACTIVITIES.

5. NRDC AND EDF ARE WELL ESTABLISHED GROUPS WITH SOME PRESTIGIOUS MEMBERSHIP AND BACKING AND ARE PROBABLY MOST POTENT ACTIVISTS IN ENVIRONMENTAL ARENA. BOTH ARE PUBLIC INTEREST LAW GROUPS OPERATING IN ALL ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS,

NOT SOLELY NUCLEAR, AND WORK PRIMARILY THROUGH COURTS AND LEGAL CHANNELS.

6. THOUGH TIME FRAME DIFFICULT, IT MAY BE WORTH ATTEMPTING ADD BALANCE WITH ADDITIONAL US PRESENTATION. NEED INFORMATION AS TO EXACT DATES OF CONFERENCE, SPONSORSHIP, MECHANISM FOR INVITATIONS, GROUND RULES FOR SPEAKERS, OVERALL THEME(S), ETC. LIST OF AGENDA TOPICS AND SPEAKER IDENTIFICATION TO DATE WOULD ALSO BE USEFUL. THERE IS NO ASSURANCE, HOWEVER, THAT WE CAN OBTAIN ADDITIONAL US PARTICIPANTS AT THIS LATE DATE. RUSH

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